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Senate Resolution 868

By: Senators Smith of the 52nd and Thomas of the 54th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Commending Dr. Raymond F. Corpe; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, during the course of his extraordinary career, Dr. Raymond F. Corpe touched
- 3 the lives of countless patients as a pioneer of tuberculosis research; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he graduated from medical school at the University of Illinois College in
- 5 Chicago, after which he served his country honorably as a commissioned officer of the
- 6 United States Public Health Service from 1943 to 1952; and
- 7 WHEREAS, after serving three years as chief of surgery at Battey State Hospital (now
- 8 known as Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital), he became the hospital's superintendent;
- 9 and
- 10 WHEREAS, under his direction, the physicians of Battey State Hospital spearheaded many
- 11 revolutionary developments in the treatment of tuberculosis, including the discovery of the
- 12 "Battey Strain" of the deadly disease; and
- 13 WHEREAS, Dr. Corpe's research in developing a drug treatment for tuberculosis has allowed
- 14 those infected with tuberculosis to be treated at home through drug regimens rather than
- 15 surgery or institutionalization; and
- 16 WHEREAS, thanks to his able leadership and brilliant contributions as a researcher, his
- 17 hospital became one of the most renowned tuberculosis treatment centers in the world,
- 18 serving as a beacon of hope to patients everywhere; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Dr. Corpe has left an enduring legacy to our children through his noble efforts
- 20 to make this world a healthier and happier place.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 2 commend Dr. Raymond F. Corpe for the many extraordinary achievements of his long and
- 3 distinguished career and thank him for his invaluable contributions to medicine.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 5 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. Raymond F. Corpe.